

## Warm-Up to 6.5 – Double & Half Angle Formulas

**Given:**  $\cos(2\theta) = \cos(\theta + \theta)$

Using what trig formulas you know so far, determine at least 2 solutions to this problem.  
Using your whiteboard, hold up your final solutions to

$$\cos(2\theta) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

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### **Solution:**

$$\cos(2\theta) = \cos(\theta + \theta)$$

$$\cos(2\theta) = \cos\theta \cos\theta - \sin\theta \sin\theta$$

$$\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta$$

(1) Original problem

(2) Double angle formula substitution

(3) Simplify

$$\cos(2\theta) = (1 - \sin^2\theta) - \sin^2\theta$$

$$= 1 - 2\sin^2\theta$$

(4) Trig substitution for  $\cos^2\theta$

(5) Simplify

$$\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta$$

$$= \cos^2\theta - (1 - \cos^2\theta)$$

$$= 2\cos^2\theta - 1$$

Same as (3) above

(6) Trig substitution for  $\sin^2\theta$

(7) Simplify

Add these to your notes:

### ***6.5 THE DOUBLE-ANGLE IDENTITIES:***

$$\sin(2\alpha) = 2\sin\alpha \cos\alpha$$

$$\cos(2\alpha) = \cos^2\alpha - \sin^2\alpha$$

$$= 2\cos^2\alpha - 1$$

$$= 1 - 2\sin^2\alpha$$

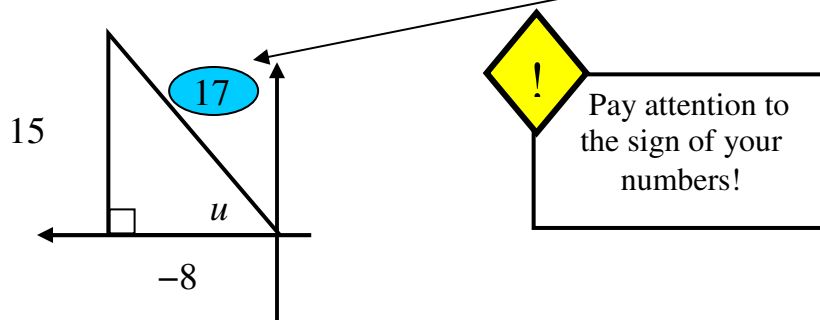
$$\tan(2\alpha) = \frac{2\tan\alpha}{1 - \tan^2\alpha}$$

**Given:**  $\tan u = \frac{-15}{8}$ , and  $\frac{\pi}{2} < u < \pi$

**Find** the **EXACT** values of  $\sin 2u$ ,  $\cos 2u$ , and  $\tan 2u$  using the double-angle formulas.

**Solution:**

(1) Draw picture for the situation & find missing side by using *Pythagorean Theorem*



$$\sin(2u) = 2\sin u \cos u$$

$$= 2 \left( \frac{15}{17} \right) \left( \frac{-8}{17} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-240}{289}$$

(2) Write the formula

(3) Substitute in formula

(4) Simplify

$$\cos(2u) = \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u$$

$$= \left( \frac{-8}{17} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{15}{17} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{64}{289} - \frac{225}{289}$$

$$= \frac{-161}{289}$$

$$\tan(2u) = \frac{2 \tan u}{1 - \tan^2 u} = \frac{2 \left( \frac{-15}{8} \right)}{1 - \left( \frac{-15}{8} \right)^2} = \frac{\left( \frac{-30}{8} \right)}{1 - \left( \frac{225}{64} \right)}$$

$$= \frac{\left( \frac{-30}{8} \right)}{\frac{64}{64} - \left( \frac{225}{64} \right)} = \frac{\left( \frac{-30}{8} \right)}{\left( \frac{-161}{64} \right)} = \frac{-30}{8} \div \frac{-161}{64}$$

$$= \frac{-30}{8} \cdot \frac{64}{-161}$$

$$= \frac{-30}{1} \cdot \frac{64}{-161} = \frac{240}{161}$$



OH MY GOSH! You had an AP Gov test the same day as your math test. The period before!! Mr. Muscarella is so mean. Despite Stephen & Sarah's pleading, he didn't give you an index card or let you use a formula sheet, and he wouldn't move the test either ...

You remember the formulas for  $\sin(2u)$  and  $\cos(2u)$ , but can't remember the  $\tan(2u)$  formula.



But wait! You do remember the quotient identity  $\tan(u) = \frac{\sin u}{\cos u}$ .

Could this be your saving grace? Does  $\tan(2u) = \frac{\sin(2u)}{\cos(2u)}$ ?

Try it to see what you'd come up with using the values above.

**Solution:**

$$\tan(2u) = \frac{\sin(2u)}{\cos(2u)} = \frac{-240}{289} \div \frac{-161}{289} = \frac{-240}{\cancel{289}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{289}}{-161} = \frac{240}{161}$$



Can you come up with another way to represent each angle so that part of it could be on the unit circle?

Solve for x.

Ex]  $22.5^\circ = \frac{1}{2}x$

$45^\circ = x$

Ex]  $\frac{-\pi}{12} = \frac{1}{2}x$

$\frac{-\pi}{6} = x$

This is the idea behind...



### **THE HALF-ANGLE IDENTITIES:**

$$\sin \frac{u}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos u}{2}} \qquad \cos \frac{u}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos u}{2}} \qquad \tan \frac{u}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos u}{\sin u} = \frac{\sin u}{1 + \cos u}$$

$$= \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos u)} \qquad = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos u)}$$

\*\* The signs of  $\sin \frac{u}{2}$  and  $\cos \frac{u}{2}$  depend on the quadrant in which  $\frac{u}{2}$  lies.

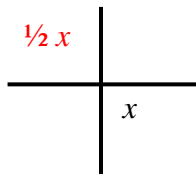


Put your heads together to try to figure this out...

Draw a picture for each situation. Be ready to justify your reasoning.

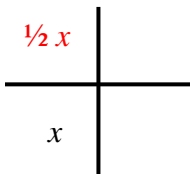
- 1) If an angle,  $x$ , is in the 4<sup>th</sup> quadrant, then where is the angle  $(\frac{1}{2}x)$  located?
- 2) If an angle,  $x$ , is in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quadrant, then where is the angle  $(\frac{1}{2}x)$  located?
- 3) If an angle,  $x$ , is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quadrant, then where is the angle  $(\frac{1}{2}x)$  located?

#### Solutions:

1) 

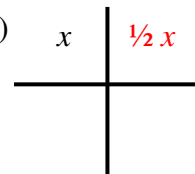
$$\frac{3\pi}{2} < x < 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3\pi}{4} < \frac{x}{2} < \pi$$

2) 

$$\pi < x < \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} < \frac{x}{2} < \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

3) 

$$\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} < \frac{x}{2} < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

**Given:**  $\cos u = \frac{8}{17}$ ,  $\frac{3\pi}{2} < u < 2\pi$

**Find** the **EXACT** values of  $\sin \frac{u}{2}$ ,  $\cos \frac{u}{2}$ , and  $\tan \frac{u}{2}$ .

**Solutions:**

$$\sin \frac{u}{2} = \frac{3\sqrt{34}}{34}$$

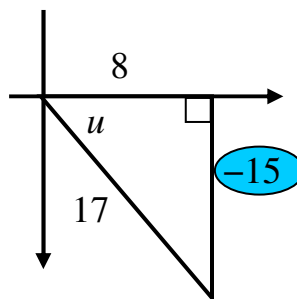
$$\cos \frac{u}{2} = \frac{-5\sqrt{34}}{34}$$

$$\tan \frac{u}{2} = \frac{-3}{5}$$

**Drawing:**



Careful! Since our triangle is in Quad IV, when we do the half angle formulas for sin and cos, be sure to get the right sign!!



**You've Got Problems!**

pp. 455 – 457: 7, 11, 17, 19, 21, 25, 29,  
30 (use angle sum formulas,  $3x = 2x + 1x$ ),  
35, 41, 49